

Allowing more media concentration is utterly objectionable and contrary to the basic concepts upon which this country was founded. It is the job of the media to hold the leaders of the country to account, not to merely report its words and acts. The more the media is consolidated, the less likely it is that the independent voices required to accomplish this task will be up to performing it. I urge you as an American with the best interests of the people in mind to open the proposals to much more public scrutiny and discussion before proceeding to a vote. If you do this, which it is your duty to do if you are an American, you will discover that the people have no interest in media consolidation, but the contrary: they want more individuality. The people want access to as many views as possible. If you deny or restrict this access, you actually do real and irreparable harm to democracy itself.